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BOARD OF MASSAGE AND BODYWORK THERAPY

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BOARD OF MASSAGE AND BODYWORK
THERAPY

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE APPLICATION OF

YENIFER RODRIGUEZ-MARES

TO PRACTICE MASSAGE AND BODYWORK THERAPY IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Administrative Action

CONSENT ORDER

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Massage and Bodywork Therapy ("Board") upon review of Yenifer Rodriguez-Mares's application for licensure as a massage and

bodywork therapist. Upon a review of the application, and the results of the Criminal History Background Check, it was ascertained by the Board that although the applicant had indicated "N" for "no" in response to the questions relating to arrests and convictions on the application, she had been arrested on June 13, 2013 for shoplifting. She was convicted of a local ordinance violation and sentenced to thirty (30) days suspended confinement and assessed \$1,030 in fines and costs. The applicant claimed she did not disclose the arrest on her application because she believed that the record would be expunged and would not appear on any background checks.

The Board notes that respondent has produced no order of expungement, and finds that the applicant knew or should have known that by failing to disclose the arrest on the application in response to the questions about arrests and/or convictions she was providing inaccurate information, and that she therefore engaged in misrepresentation on her application in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b).

The Board finding that licensure as well as entry of the within order are appropriate, and sufficiently protective of the public health, safety and welfare, and for other good cause shown;

- 1. A \$200.00 civil penalty is hereby imposed upon respondent for the violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b). Payment shall be in the form of a certified check or money order, and shall be submitted along with this signed order.
- 2. The applicant's application for licensure shall be granted upon payment of all applicable fees and demonstration of satisfaction of all requirements for licensure, if she has not already done so.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE AND BODYWORK THERAPY

Bv:

Cynchia Sinicropi Philibosian (MA)

Chairperson

I have read and understand the within Consent Order and agree to be bound by its terms.

Verifer Rodriguez-Mares